

The State Board of Education/State Board for Vocational Education held a work session on Thursday, September 18, 2014 in the Cabinet Room of the Townsend Building, Dover, Delaware.

Present were: Teri Quinn Gray, President; Gregory B. Coverdale, Jr.; G. Patrick Heffernan, and Donna R. Johnson, who serves as the State Board's Executive Director.

Also in attendance were Ilona Kirshon, Deputy Attorney General, Catherine Hickey, Deputy Attorney General; Penny Schwinn, Chantel Janiszewski and Ryan Reyna from NGA.

The work session began at 9:40 a.m.

District and School Accountability in Delaware

The Board received an update on the State's accountability plan and was provided with a brief overview of the several iterations of school accountability in Delaware. Ms. Schwinn and Ms. Janiszewski provided the feedback the state received from the U.S. Department of Education on using the Academic Framework as its accountability system. The Board was also provided with an overview of Delaware's accountability system moving forward.

The Board was provided with information on Part A and Part B of the school accountability system noting that the new system would evaluate, encourage and enable; evaluate schools and districts, align rewards and consequences with evaluations and give tools to schools to support learning.

The Board will continue its discussion on the state's accountability system at its October 10th retreat.

The work session concluded at 11:40 a.m.